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SUBJECT: WFC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

REF: (A) USUN 2418, (B) STATE 156827

1. IO/AGR BYRNES SPOKE WITH DAC CHAIRMAN MAURICE WILLIAMS BY TELEPHONE WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, AND WAS ADVISED LATTER HAS JUST FINISHED LONG MEETING AND LUNCHEON WITH WFC PRESIDENT TANCO WHO HAD BRIEFED HIM ON; (A) DEVELOPMENTS DURING RECENT WFC MINISTERIAL IN MEXICO AND (B) TANCO-WALDHEIM TALK WHICH OCCURRED EARLY THIS WEEK IN NEW YORK.

2. WILLIAMS RELAYED THAT SYG REPORTEDLY NOW PLANS TO ANNOUNCE HIS SELECTION OF WILLIAMS AT AN EARLY DATE AND
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TO MAKE APPOINTMENT EFFECTIVE ON SOME SEPTEMBER DATE. WILLIAMS WAS UNCLEAR ON WHETHER THERE HAD BEEN, OR WOULD BE, ADDITIONAL SYG-FAO DG CONSULTATIONS ON THE APPOINTMENT BUT SAID TANCO WAS GOING FROM PARIS TO ROME THURSDAY-FRIDAY TO SEE SAOUMA - APPARENTLY TO RECTIFY ANY DAMAGE OR CONFUSION CREATED BY TANCO COMMENTS CONCERNING THE DG'S VIEWS DURING WFC HEADS OF DELEGATION MEETING IN MEXICO.

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(FYI. TANCO REPORTED WILLIAMS AS PREFERRED SYG/DG CHOICE INSTEAD OF SAYING THAT SAOUMA HAD TOLD WALDHEIM THAT IF

WALDHEIM SELECTED WILLIAMS HE WOULD BE "ACCEPTABLE" TO SAOUMA.) WILLIAMS ALSO SAID PRESENT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JOHN HANNAH IS SEEING WALDHEIM TODAY, JUNE 21, IN NEW YORK.

3. FOR MANILA. DISREGARD REF B.

4. FOR USUN. CONTACT HANNAH AND ADVISE CONCERNING HIS DISCUSSIONS WITH SYG.

5. FOR ROME. HOLD INFORMATION CLOSELY BUT ATTEMPT OBTAIN TANCO BRIEFING FOLLOWING TALKS WITH DG. VANCE

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